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Madison County's Victory

The voting for the \$35,000 Bridge Bonds, on last Thursday, as given on another page of this issue, is certainly a victory for Madison County.

We say "victory" for the county because one more impediment is removed in order that our county may prosper and grow more unselfish.

It is difficult to understand why citizens of a county should oppose anything that is for the common good. Let us study our needs and those of others, when like issues come before us, and we will guarantee prosperity and happiness.

Germany and the Belgians

The expatriation of the Belgians comes as a new oppression of a people that has suffered much since the war began.

Those who wish well to the Germans feel sorry that their leaders should add another count to the indictment that already is against them in respect to Belgium. Our own government warned them against "producing an unfavorable effect on neutral opinion."

The entire scheme of imposing deportation upon the Belgians or any other nation is repellent to the modern man's sense of justice and decency. It is too strong a reminder of the days when the vanquished became the slave of the victor.

Let us hope, that since neutral opinion is not a negligible thing, that this atrocious practice may have much to do with ending the war.

THE PRACTICAL FARMERS' EDUCATIONAL PROBLEM SOLVED

Secretary Marshall E. Vaughn

This is the greatest year in the history of our nation for country boys and girls to go to school. The European nations that are in the midst of a great world war are using practically all the farm products that are usually imported into the United States; and the great demand for food supplies raised in this country to be shipped abroad is making everything grown on the farm very high.

The operation of great munition factories has brought about increased wages for the man who works for his daily bread, but the prices he pays the farmer for the food he eats are so high that his condition is not materially changed. But the farmer who owns his farm, or rents one, does his own work, sells his own products, and uses his money according to his own sweet will is the great independent man of this age.

There are two classes of farm citizens that I wish to make an ap-

peal to in this article. The first is the class who have had foresight enough to anticipate the high prices and ready sale of all farm products and livestock, and are putting upon the market the things that the hungry world is crying for and for which it is willing to pay any price. And the other class is made up of people who are now lamenting the fact that they have not taken advantage of the present prices and are determined to start in with a New Year's resolution to enter the markets next fall with a great variety of farm products.

The man who belongs to the first class mentioned above has a good crop of corn for sale at five dollars a barrel. He has ten or a dozen fine fat hogs, engaged to a hog dealer at ten cents a pound. He has a few calves that will bring him in twenty-five or thirty dollars a head, and a nice flock of turkeys that will average three dollars apiece. He has spent very little labor in producing his hogs, calves and turkeys, and is receiving double pay for the time he spent in growing his crop of corn. He is truly in a position to

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ONE HUNDRED ORGAN STUDENTS Wanted by Berea College Music Department for the Winter Term.

We want our homes to be filled with the good cheer of music. Many of you have in your homes organs or pianos which are silent, because there is no one to play on them, and all of you have voices with which you should learn to sing the good old songs that will gladden the hearts of the home folks and make your own lives and the lives of those about you better and brighter.

We want our Music Department to be bigger and better and broader than ever before, and we want you to help us to make it so by taking advantage of the musical opportunities we offer you.

There is a place in the band and orchestra for those who can play some band or orchestra instrument,

and the Harmonia Society is always glad to receive those who have understanding of music and can sing. At the beginning of the Winter Term, glee clubs are going to be formed for those who have good voices and a fair knowledge of music.

Many of you have no knowledge of music and don't know whether you can sing or not. If you want to learn to read music and to sing and if you want to become familiar with songs you will be glad to know, there is a place for you in the Choral Class, and you will find a hearty welcome there.

During the Winter Term, a short course will be given, free, in the construction and repairing of the organ, so that you will know how to fix your own organ at home. A few free class lessons will also be

IN OUR OWN STATE

The Democratic State Campaign Committee through Chairman J. Campbell Cantrill reported a deficit of \$3,333.97 as the result of the expenses in the presidential campaign.

The prospects of appropriations for premiums for particular breeds of cattle at the 1917 Kentucky State Fair from various national registry associations was reported Monday at a meeting in Louisville of the State Board of Agriculture.

Louisville has been made headquarters of a Preferred Stockholders Committee, which will investigate various matters affecting St. Louis United Railways Company. L. H. McHenry, of Louisville, is chairman. About 10 per cent of the \$16,393,200 preferred stock is owned in this State.

Gov. Stanley informed a delegation of business men from various sections of the State last Thursday that he was carefully considering the advisability of calling an extra session of the Legislature for consideration of a revenue measure, but that he had not definitely made up his mind, the matter depending largely on how the Tax Bill drafted by a commission named by the Governor is received when given to the public through the press.

National Student Convention at Lexington

"On to Lexington!" was the cry that quickly mobilized the colonial "minute men" when British redcoats landed and started toward Boston to crush the budding flower of American liberty.

"On to Lexington!" is again the rallying cry for a nation-wide mobilization of the present generation of minute men—the patriotic, red-blooded, high-purposed college students of America—who will gather at Lexington, Kentucky, December 28-31 in preparation for the final drive on the remaining intransigent forces of King Alcohol, the twentieth century foe of American Freedom. The big student round-up will take place at the biennial national convention of the Intercollegiate Prohibition Association.

"Dry" For Pulaski Predicted

The county of Pulaski is now dry; but as often as the law permits an election is held. Another election has been called for January 6th. As the county is the unit instead of the town, it is predicted that it will remain dry.

Kentucky Pecans

A farmer near Hickman gathered from one tree on his place this fall a crop of pecans that brought him \$93 cash. The crop in that section is large and will bring a large amount of money. The pecan is not cultivated in Kentucky but is a money-maker.

Harlan County's Output of Coal

According to the Appalachian Trade Journal Harlan County mined last year 1,710,970 tons of coal. These figures were given by the Chief Mine Inspector in advance of the complete report of the year.

Mine Rescue Work in East Kentucky

Last week J. M. Webb, special instructor from the Bureau of Mines at Washington was in the Hazard field giving a course of instruction in mine rescue and first aid work. He will remain in that field two or three months. A very active interest is being taken by miners and operators.

Bell County Road Bonds Sold

The \$105,000 road and bridge bonds authorized by the voters of Bell county at the election held on November 7th were sold by the Fiscal Court to Weil, Roth & Company of Cincinnati at a premium of \$4,500. This sale makes a total of \$390,000 sold in bonds by the county for the building of her roads and bridges. The same company has purchased the entire issue. The county now has practically \$140,000 for road work. When spring opens work will begin in earnest to complete the Boone-Dixie highway.

given to those students who already play the organ, in the use of the stops and the swells.

Thoro work of a very high grade is offered in the special courses in piano, organ, voice and violin, and

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U. S. NEWS

At a conference Monday with District Attorney Anderson, of Boston, in charge of the Department of Justice inquiry into the high cost of living, President Wilson gave his approval of the programme, which it was indicated would be carried on without modification.

Every member of President Wilson's Cabinet with the possible exception of Attorney General Gregory is expected to remain in office after March 4. If Mr. Gregory resigns, Secretary Baker may be shifted to the Department of Justice and Vance C. McCormick be made Secretary of War.

MAY CONSIDER DRASTIC PLANS

Military Defence Measures Before Congress.

URGE UNIVERSAL TRAINING

Army Officers Regard Volunteer Plan as Unsatisfactory—Daniels Asks Law to Compel Steel Companies to Give U. S. Preference.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Matters relating to the army and navy are now attracting the attention of congress in such a way that it is expected to be productive of agitation for even more drastic measures of national defense than have yet been seriously considered.

Secretary Daniels, before the house naval committee, advocated legislation which would compel steel companies and other private concerns to give preference to government orders for military supplies. He will submit a new section for the pending naval appropriation bill for this purpose in order to hasten battleship construction, which, he declared, was being delayed by commercial work in the yards of private builders and in steel plants.

Secretary Baker wrote Speaker Clarke, in response to a house resolution, that 71,834 out of the grand total of 143,800 national guardsmen taken into the federal service up to Aug. 31, were without previous military training. Rejections of enrolled guardsmen for various causes operated later to increase the number of raw recruits to approximately 80 per cent of the force.

In this connection also army officers charged with the duty of studying events of the European war, both political and military, made preparations to contend before the congressional military committee that the fundamental reason for the cabinet crisis in England was the volunteer military policy there prior to the passage of the conscription act. The experience of Great Britain is viewed by these officers as the strongest arguments for the establishment of universal military training in the United States, as urged in the report of Major-General Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff, and to which the entire American staff is committed.

Another aspect of the national guard situation came from Quartermaster General Sharpe, who told of a \$25,000,000 deficiency incurred by the war department to equip and pay state troops now in the federal service. If an average of 75,000 men is retained on the border until June 30, he said, the deficiency will be \$50,000,000.

The secretary will ask \$5,000,000 a year for the equipment of government yards to build ships. He inserted a statement in the committee record showing his approval of the general board's recommendations for 13-gun, 23-knot, 42,000-ton battleships in the 1918 program at a probable cost for hull and machinery alone of \$15,000,000 each. The ships will carry 16-inch fifty-caliber guns, the most powerful weapons ever designed for naval use, mounted three to a turret.

Ask Lower Freight on Oils

Washington, Dec. 12.—The William J. Moxley company of Chicago has filed a brief with the interstate commerce commission in its case against the Wabash and other roads asking a downward revision of rates on oleomargarine to points east of the Mississippi river.

McAdoo Says He Will Not Resign

Washington, Dec. 12.—Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo has issued the following statement: "I have no intention of resigning."

WORLD NEWS

The Cabinet crisis in England has ended by the appointment of Lloyd George as Prime Minister and the creation of a sub-committee of five to have charge of the war. The Prime Minister is also head of this Council. This arrangement insures a more vigorous policy. The new leader has come from humble birth to hold a position of greater power than has been entrusted to any one man in England for many years.

The capture of Bucharest, the Rumanian capital, and the retreat of the army northward is a signal victory for the Germans and their allies. Already they have appointed a Governor to take control of the country. The amount of plunder is said to be large and includes much that will be of use to the Germans in the way of food supplies. The loss to the Rumanians in their whole campaign is estimated at over four hundred thousand, in killed, wounded and prisoners.

The Allies have declared a blockade of the ports of Greece. The King is defiant and a crisis seems near. Should the Germans be able to make a drive from Rumania into Greece to the aid of the king, who is a German by birth and sympathy, they might secure the control of the Balkan states, a military achievement of great merit.

The German merchant submarine, Deutschland, has succeeded in reaching port on her return trip to the homeland. The cargo which she took was one of great value and consisted mostly of tin and rubber. It is expected that the trips will be made regularly. The cargoes of chemicals and dyes which she brings to the United States are gladly received.

The Nobel prize, provided from the fund of money left by a wealthy citizen of Sweden, as an award to the greatest benefactor to the cause of peace in the world, each year, has not been given to anyone since 1913. The last man to receive it was a Belgian, the President of a Peace Bureau at Berne, Switzerland. The Emperor of Germany would probably have received the award had not the war broken out.

Prince Oyama, the great Japanese general is reported to be dead. He has served his country at many times and with great ability, especially in military affairs. He received a fine education, travelled and studied in Europe and gave to his country the latest and best that was to be had in the art of war. The Japanese success in the war with Russia was in large part due to him. He was Field Marshal and commanded at the battle of Mukden in Manchuria.

While the Constitutional Convention is sitting in Queretaro, Villa announces himself as the "Moses of Mexico" in a Manifesto to the people of the state of Chihuahua. His rally cry is "Mexico for the Mexicans." He would exclude from the country all foreigners who would not be naturalized, and would suspend all trade relations with the United States. An amusing provision of his Mexican Republic is one to shoot all voters who fail to comply with the rules of election.

POWER IS GIVEN TO PREMIER

Greater Than Any English Official Has Ever Held Before.

London.—The official list of the new ministers issued follows the unofficial forecasts, with two or three minor changes. Mr. Lloyd George, Lord Milner, Earl Curzon, Andrew Bonar Law and Arthur Henderson form what is officially termed the war cabinet, while the others, who ordinarily have been designated as cabinet ministers, are called heads of departments. An important point in this novel organization is that it concentrates far more power in the hands of the prime minister than the British system ever has known before.

Inspectors Find \$2,500,000 Swindle

Philadelphia, Dec. 12.—A gigantic swindle was revealed, officials declared, when United States postal inspectors conducted a raid that resulted in the arrest of men who formerly stood well in Philadelphia business circles. One of the swindlers is said to have involved \$2,500,000, most of it the money of widows and orphans.

WILL MAKE STAND AGAINST TEUTONS

RUSSIANS PUSH OFFENSIVE

Hammer Away at the Austro-German Lines on the Western Frontier at Moldavia—Little Fighting on the Other Fronts.

London, Dec. 12.—In the Rumanian campaign the latest development indicates that the Rumanian armies, retreating from the Bucharest region, are preparing to make a stand against the German forces on the line of the Buzen river, which forms the southern boundary of the northern province of Moldavia.

Reports from Petrograd indicate that the Rumanians' northern army has braced and is holding up the Teuton advance from Ploetchi northward along the railroad to the town of Buzen, which is about the center of the Buzen river line.

It will be necessary to the apparent purpose of the Rumanians for them to prevent an Austro-German advance here until the Rumanian forces further south in eastern Wallachia, retreating from the region between Bucharest and Tchernavoda, have reached the Buzen river line, unless the Rumanian military authorities have decided to retain a hold on more of eastern Wallachia than it now seems their purpose to defend.

These Rumanian forces are threatened not only by Field Marshal von Mackensen's Danube army, but by new contingents of Bulgarians, which have crossed the Danube between Silistra and Tchernavoda.

In the meantime the Russians are hammering away at the Austro-German lines on the western frontier of Moldavia and report making headway in the valleys running toward the west. Their object apparently is not only to hold the Moldavian frontier safe, but possibly to achieve an eventual success in breaking well through into Hungary and cutting in behind the Austro-German supply lines leading into Rumania from the north.

There has been little fighting of an important nature on the other fronts. The Rumanian losses since the beginning of their campaign are placed by the military critics of the Overseas News agency at 140,000 prisoners and 500 cannon in addition to the dead and wounded, war material destroyed and the booty captured at Bucharest.

"The operations of the central powers in Wallachia are progressing powerfully," he writes. "They are driving before them the fragments of the defeated Rumanian army. Resting in the north against the mountains near Ploetchi and in the south against the Danube swamps, the armies of the central powers, on a front of 100 kilometers, form an irresistible wall which can not be shaken. Troops from Prudal pass have joined the main body."

PREPARATIONS ARE BEING MADE

WAR UPON PERSHING'S COLUMN THREATENED—ARMY MEN ALARMED.

It is Doubtful, 'Tis Said Outlaw is Author of Remarkable Document That Bears His Name.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.

El Paso, Texas.—Army men in El Paso and elsewhere on the border have taken the manifesto issued by Pancho Villa before he left Chihuahua City as a declaration of war against the United States and are making preparations accordingly. Officers and men from General Pershing's punitive expedition here on leave, are hastening back to join their regiments. The guard at the international bridge has been doubled, and considerable excitement prevails in El Paso and Juarez, its Mexican sister across the Rio Grande. However, there is grave doubt in the minds of military authorities that Villa himself wrote the remarkable document which bore his name and which came to El Paso by a Carranza courier from Chihuahua City.

There are many army authorities who have ventured a shrewd guess that the "manifesto" breathing hate against the "barbarians of the North," and announcing Villa's intention of expelling Pershing's force from Mexican soil, is but a Carranza ruse to discredit Villa and draw upon the bandit the resentment of the American administration.

A falcon trained to carry messages has been known to cover 700 miles in sixteen hours.

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